Mortuza murder

Hartal paralyses normal life in north Ctg

university gate no 1 protesting the

Presided over by Zillur Rahman

Jewel, president of BCL CU unit, the

rally was addressed, among others,

by M A Salam, general secretary of

AL North Chittagong unit, Advocate

Ibrahim Hossain Babul, secretary

for legal affairs of city AL unit, Zafar

Alam Chowdhury, Monzurul Alam

president Abdus Samad Azad and

general secretary Zillur Rahman

have strongly condemned the killing

of Ali Mortuza Chowdhury, vice-

president of Chhatra League

In a joint statement yesterday,

hey alleged that anti-liberation

Jamaat-Shibir cliques are killing the

leaders and workers of Awami

League and Chhatra League one

after another but the government is

not taking legal action against them.

arrest and exemplary punishment to

those responsible for the killing of Ali

in Gazipur

Fire gutted raw materials of a

spinning mill at Shafipur in the

gutted cotton and other materials

worth Tk 3 crore. Machinery were

Khaled was the third of his four

brothers and three sisters. Khaled's

family has been living at Maghbazar

for long. It owns huge land property

on the both side of the Tongi

Diversion Road in the area. Khaled

was residing at Sat Rasta Road in

preparing to file an FIR accusing 15

arrested till last night, of Ramna

the previous rate of Tk 210 and Tk

350 for a double burner stove

about the trip." Obviously, the offi-

cials were speaking from deep

security concerns on instructions

from London following the

tion collated from a variety of

sources, Tony Blair's visit will

include official talks with Prime

Minister Khaleda Zia and routine

official programmes on the day of

include bilateral, regional and

number one business partner, has

now become number two, after the

on President Badruddoza

Prime Minister will place wreaths at

the National Memorial at Savar and

also visit a nearby village.

His talks with Khaleda Zia will

Britain, which was Bangladesh's

Blair will also pay a courtesy call

On the second day, the British

Prime Minister Khaleda Zia who

will receive the distinguished guest

at the Zia International Airport will in

all likelihood not be able to see him

off as she will leave for Nepal in the

morning of January 4 to attend the

Eleventh SAARC Summit in

Katmandu, the sources said.

According to available informa-

September 11 incidents.

international issues.

arrival

against the previous of Tk 330.

people including two BNP men.

Gas, power

The family sources said they are

No case was filed and none

the city with his family.

police said.

FROM PAGE 1

also damaged in the fire.

UNB, Gazipur

district yesterday.

control at 5pm.

Ex-ward commissioner

They also demanded immediate

UNB adds: Awami League acting

Monzu, Kazi Enamul Haq.

Chittagong University unit.

killing of Mortuza in the afternoon.

CU CORRESPONDENT

A half-day hartal paralysed normal life in North Chittagong yesterday.

CU unit of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) and Hathazari thana units of Jubo League and Awami League jointly enforced the hartal protesting the killing of Ali Mortuza, senior vice president of CU BCL

Police arrested five BCL activists from different points during the hartal. They were identified as Shahadat Hossain, 22, Liton, 22, Abul Monsur, 19, Mohammad Iqbal and Omar Faruq.

Academic activities on the CU campus were also disrupted due to

Road communication between Chittagong and Rangamati was disrupted as agitating BCL and Awami League activists put up barricade on the road.

BCL alleged that 10 of its activists were injured when police charged baton on them.

A protest rally was held at the

50 new Raw materials double-decker of spinning buses in city soon mill gutted

Fifty new double-decker buses will ply in different routes of the capital from later this month.

The buses are now being assembled at BRTC's Joydevpur workshop under a Tk 60.26 crore soft credit Each of the 160-seater buses will

cost Tk 1.20 crore. The latest model double-deckers

will increase transport facilities for the common people, said an official handout. Communications Minister

Barrister Nazmul Huda yesterday visited the BRTC workshop to see the assembling of Volvo brand Fazlul Haq Milon MP,

Communications Secretary Syed Rezaul Hayat and BRTC Chairman Taimur Alam Khandaker were present on the occasion.

He was rushed to nearby Holy

Family Hospital and then to Dhaka

Medical College Hospital (DMCH)

The autopsy of the body was

done at DMCH morgue at about 3

am yesterday, hospital sources

Family sources told this corre-

The namaj-e-janaja of the

deceased was held at the

Maghbazar Rail Crossing Mosque

after Asar prayer vesterday. Among

others. Home Minister Altaf Hossain

Chowdhury State Minister for

Home Lutfur Zaman Babar.

Fisheries and Livestock Minister

Shadek Hossain Khoka, Major

Khaled was commissioner of

He was the owner of Khaled

He was a relative of President

Blair may request

Poultry at Savar and ran an orphan-

age there. Earlier he was a contrac-

Badruddoza Chowdhury, family

safeguard distribution of relief

which is seen as an unlikely sce-

nario now, foreign troops involved in

the security force will, if required,

have to resort to force to stop such

top of the list of UN peacekeeping

missions. If it decides to join the

security force in Afghanistan, its

help in de-mining and in medical

and engineering fields may be

may decide to make a positive

response as it has always identified

aspirations of Afghan people.

Besides, it will also give Bangladesh

an opportunity to participate in the

reconstruction efforts in

among others, are learnt to be

Jordan, Indonesia and Turkey,

Bangladesh and British officials

here were highly tight-lipped about

Tony Blair's itinerary and objective

even declined to confirm the

programme till late yesterday after-

noon saying "we know nothing

The British High Commission

Afghanistan, they said.

of the visit.

willing to contribute troops.

itself closely with the hopes and

The sources said Bangladesh

Bangladesh happens to be on

violence, the sources said

specially sought.

In case factional fights break up,

Ward No. 54 of Dhaka City

Corporation for nine years during

Mannan MP attended the janja

He joined BNP in 1991.

Frshad's rule

tor by profession.

sources said.

materials

spondent yesterday that another

armed attack was made on Khaled

only three days ago.

where doctors declared him dead.

179 children tortured to death, 622 women raped across the country in year 2001

Odhikar report says

BSS, Dhaka

Odhikar, a coalition of NGOs engaged in observing the human rights situation in Bangladesh, Tuesday said that some 179 children were killed out of 646 who were subjected to different forms of torture, and 622 women were raped in various parts of the country from January 1 to December 30, 2001

An Ódhikar report released here also said that 252 women became victims of acid attack and 163 women fell victims to dowry-related

The report said two journalists were killed, 114 injured and 5 arrested last year.

44 JU teachers demand release of Shahriar Kabir

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Jahangirnagar University (JU) yesterday demanded immediate release of Shahriar Kabir, a noted writer and columnist.

In a joint statement, they expressed deep concern over his arrest on sedition charge.

The teachers also demanded that the government take steps to stop repression on religious minorities and take action against those involved in such incidents.

Armed terrorists attack policemen at Gaibandha: 8 injured

UNB, Gaibandha

Fire brigade sources said the Eight people including two subfire originated from a godown of inspectors of police were injured in Shamsuddin Spinning Mills at an attack by terrorists at Gaibandha 1:40 pm due to electric shorton Monday night during a special circuit and quickly spread. drive of the Narcotic Control Fire fighters from Tongi, Sadar

Police said they, accompanied and Savar EPZ rushed to the spot by a magistrate, raided a shop at the and brought the blaze under local bus stand and arrested two people for selling phensidyl. Mills authorities said the blaze

Soon after the arrest, a group of armed terrorists attacked policemen and snatched the arrested two. They abducted two sub-inspectors and beat them.

Additional police force rushed to the spot and rescued the subinspectors. The SIs were admitted to local hospital.

Police later arrested eight people from the bus stand area. Transport workers brought out a procession yesterday morning demanding their release.

Two cases, one for snatching the two criminals from police and another for selling narcotics, were filed with the local police station.

Book Year

FROM PAGE 12 national development.

Khaleda reiterated her pledge to support all efforts for development of libraries in the country. "Due consideration will be given to setting up a library commission to assist in this regard," she said.

Pragmatic steps will be taken to formulate library law as recom-mended under the National Book Policy which was also instituted by the BNP government in 1994, the Prime Minister told the function

Prices of other utility services would also increase sharply as a Recalling her declaration on the cascading effect, officials connew year's day in 1994 to observe January 1 as National Book Day cerned and experts said. and January 1-7 as Book Week, the Between October 1996 and Prime Minister said these were November, 2000, prices of power aimed at promoting reading habits increased nine times

among all. During the function the Prime Earlier, the government Minister gave away a "Library Organiser" award to Professor increased prices of petroleum products on December 27. Different Mohammad Sharif for his contributransport owners' associations have tion to the library movement in the already proposed for fare increase country. The award carries a crest by at least 10 per cent. and a cheque for Tk 10,000.

At the same function the Prime Minister distributed textbooks marking timely printing and publishing of books for new year's school-

ing. Education Minister Dr Faruk Osman, State Minister for Education Amanullah Aman and Ehsanul Haq Milon and Deputy Minister for Education Abdus Salam Pinto were present on the occasion.

Later, the prime minister went round a number of stalls at the fair marking the opening of the book bazaar. She purchased three books of her choice, including "Sata Monishir Katha" by Bhobesh Rai.

The organisers declared that the book fair would be free from polythene bags as part of the government ban on polythene shopping bags from yesterday.

Iransport fares FROM PAGE 12

under the circumstances there are no options left other than increasing the fare by next week

Leaders of Bangladesh Truck Malik Samity (BTMS), however, said due to the fact that the government has not vet formulated any fare structure for trucks, truck owners have to increase the existing fare as the price of diesel has been increased by Tk 1.5 per litre.

Mahbub Chowdhury, organising secretary of BTMS, while talking with The Daily Star said, "Price hike of fuel will definitely increase the operation and maintenance costs of trucks resulting in an increased

SAARC for draft SAFTA treaty | AL: Council meeting

round of negotiations to step up the

process, he said. He said the committee decided to harmonise the stand of regional countries on a number of international issues like the World Trade Organisation (WTO) related matters, including on the recently held Doha round of WTO talks.

The committee also decided to coordinate on World Food Summit. sustainable development conference among others, he said.

It okayed, he said, on a proposal from Nepal, the validity of development or growth quadrangle in two or more countries AFP adds: Senior diplomats from

have agreed to work towards passing national laws to control terrorism and drug trafficking in the region. The agreement came at a meeting on Monday of the seven countries' foreign secretaries ahead of

South Asian countries unanimously

diplomat Pushkar Rajbhandari said. The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) formed in 1985 groups Bhutan, Bangladesh India Maldives Nepal

ing Pakistan's latest crackdown on

militant groups as a "step forward."

Behari Vajpayee also held out the

prospect of dialogue in a special

message to Pakistan contained in a

New Year's article that was quoted

on the front pages of most Indian

"Shed your anti-India mentality

and take effective steps to stop

cross-border terrorism, and you will

find India willing to walk more than

half the distance to work closely

with Pakistan to resolve, through

dialogue, any issue, including the

contentious issue of Jammu and

Analysts, however, stressed that

any normalisation of relations

between the two South Asian

nuclear rivals was still a long way

Pakistan said yesterday that

India was still building up forces

along their tense border and was

prepared to deal with any threat

"As far as Pakistan is con-

cerned, India continues to build up

its capability," government spokes-

man Major General Rashid Qureshi

told a news briefing in the capital,

Traders at different kitchen markets

and department stores said they

bought jute and other shopping

bags for their customers. "I had

some polybags in my stock, but

some policemen while patrolling the

market came to my shop and took

bags," said a grocer at a market at

Sellers in many cases offered

"On the very first day, we are

low-cost jute bags with the sold-out

giving our regular clients jute bags

free of cost." said a trader at a

Sarwar Hossain, a government

employee, was asked vesterday

by a vegetable trader at the

Karwanbazar kitchen market to buy

use of polybags in the city from

today in order to minimise environ-

ment hazards. But I did not expect

this sort of spontaneous response

from the commoners," Sarwar told

dumping wastes into jute bags,

The city dwellers started

Different units of Bangladesh

Jute Mills Corporation (BJMC) have

of infrastructure and energy projects

in the country, it would be difficult to

roll back on the Barapukuria coal

and power project. But it is even

harder to implement the scheme,

to officially discuss these problems

with Petrobangla and the energy

million costlier than any such plant

of similar size, would entirely

depend on coal supply. After long

delays, the power and coal mine

projects were finally scheduled to

to provide the PDB a guarantee for

coal supply soon," a top

Petrobangla official assured The

Daily Star yesterday. "The coal mine

project has faced many a difficulty,

been facing acute leadership crisis

for the last six months until the

recent appointment of a new chair-

man. This is another reason why

Petrobangla did not provide the

But insiders said due to geologi-

cal problems, the coal mine would

not be able to begin any operation

PDB with the guarantee letter.

Sources said Petrobangla had

but it is progressing." he added.

"We are expecting Petrobangla

start operation from 2004.

The coal mine authorities are yet

The power scheme, at least \$70

the sources added.

ministry.

"I know the government banned

department store at Banani.

a jute bag.

The Daily Star.

goods to regular customers for free.

Kashmir," Vajpayee said.

from its giant neighbour.

newspapers yesterday.

Indian Prime Minister Atal

their leaders' summit. Nepalese

Rajbhandari did not give details of the agreement on terrorism and drugs but the issue of terrorism has been at the heart of the current military tensions between nuclear capable India and Pakistan.

AP says: The foreign ministers of India and Pakistan will come face to face here for the first time since a tense standoff between the two neiahbours.

Pakistani Foreign Minister Abdul Sattar arrived from Islamabad Monday night while his Indian counterpart, Jaswant Singh, was expected to arrive later yesterday.

Bangladesh Foreign Minister M Morshed Khan also arrived here yesterday. He later met his Pakistani counterpart Abdul Sattar.

Foreign ministers of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation were scheduled to meet today and tomorrow. The leaders of the seven South Asian nations, including Indian Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee and Pakistani President Gen Pervez Musharraf, will meet this weekend.

There had been fears that the

India, Pakistan renew nuclear

"They have fully activated their

forward air bases ... there is also

information about naval movement.

Their intentions are something that

"Pakistan continues to very, very

closely monitor each movement

that the Indian armed forces make

and continues to take appropriate

defensive measures so that

Pakistan is not surprised and is not

Pervez Musharraf is to leave for

Beijing again on Thursday for talks

with Chinese leaders on border

tensions with India, a foreign minis-

talks with Chinese Prime Minister

Zhu Rongji on Thursday. He will

also attend a banquet being hosted

by the Chinese premier for him at

the Great Hall." the official said on

he will fly to Kathmandu on Friday

morning to attend a summit of the

seven-nation South Asian

Association for Regional

leaders will focus on bilateral rela-

Users welcome ban on polybags

been working round the clock to

produce jute bags of different

shapes and sizes so that people can

jute bags by trucks to city markets

including Karwan Bazar,

Kachukhet, Fakirerpool, Mohakhali

Gulshan, Thathari Bazar, Jatrabari

Tk 15 in different city markets ves-

terday. Besides, another type of bag

made from cement packaging

materials was also available in the

low-cost jute bags and reduce the

price to Tk 1.50. If the government

can properly enforce its decision.

the private sector will also come

forward to producing not only low-

cost bags but also various fancy jute

bags," said an expert of Bangladesh

Jute Research Institute, preferring

UNB adds: Forest and

Environment Minister Shahjahan

Siraj yesterday visited city markets

to see the public response to the

salesmen and buyers at

continuous zero degree tempera-

ture to avoid sudden flooding from

mining cannot take place around the

shaft due to high risk of flooding.

Therefore, the mine builders have

primarily decided that a new shaft

be built at a location 1.5 km south of

the existing one to lower the risk of

an extra cost, it would not fully

eliminate possibilities of flooding as

the area is rich in sub-soil reservoir

originally overlooked by the project

southern part is much thinner than

that of the present spot. "It would

mean a straight cut in production by

a maximum 50 per cent," the source

produce one million tonne of coal a

vear, 85 per cent of which would be

consumed by the power plant. But

reduction of 50 per cent production

would mean that the 250 MW plant

would be unable to utilise more than

half its capacity to make power

Rate of Return (IRR) calculated in

"The project's original Internal

production costlier

The coal mine is now designed to

Worst yet, the coal bed in the

But even if a new shaft is built at

flooding." said a source.

developers.

added.

"Even if the shaft is usable

He talked to shopkeepers,

enforcement of the ban.

Another 'white elephant'

sub-soil reservoir.

"It is possible to produce small,

Small jute bags were selling

Tk 5 and large ones at Tk 12 to

The BJMC has started delivering

Musharraf's talks with Chinese

After an overnight stay in China

"President Musharraf will hold

try official said vesterday.

condition of anonymity.

Cooperation (SAARC).

use them for shopping.

Amin Bazar and Mirpur.

Meanwhile, Pakistan President

caught unawares.

nobody would know," he said.

November because of the pending war in Afghanistan -- might be delayed again by the warlike tension between India and Pakistan since the Dec 13 militant attack on the

Parliament in New Delhi. Meanwhile, the 11th SAARC Summit is all set to start here on

The summit conference will be taking place amid tight security here as Nepal has intensified, over the past six weeks since it clamped a countrywide emergency, to combat six-year old domestic insurgency posed by Maoist extremists. In Kathmandu movement is

restricted between 9 pm and 5 am due to an undeclared curfew with frequent checks by military at police check posts at numerous city points. Nepal remains busy giving

touches to beautify Kathmandu which hosts the permanent SAARC Secretariat. Flags of seven member countries

already flutter along city streets as the city very much welcomes the regional dignitaries as the numerous banners and buntings declare.

tions as well as on tension between

Pakistan and India following the

Indian parliament, the official said.

AP from Karachi adds:

Relaxing a ban on Pakistan

International Airlines flights over

Indian airspace, Indian authorities

allowed planes to fly Pakistanis out

of New Delhi and the southern port

city of Mumbai, a PIA spokesman

mission to operate two special

flights because dozens of

Pakistanis weren't able to get out of

India by Dec. 31 -- the deadline for

cutting air, road and railroad links

with Pakistan, said the airlines

official, who spoke on the condition

Karachi, and the New Delhi jet,

bound for Lahore, were scheduled

airline from entering Indian air-

space beginning Jan 1 and ordered

half of Pakistan's embassy staff out

Pakistan responded in kind.

Bazar, Mohammadpur and New

Market kitchen markets and found

that they were all for jute bags. He

thanked them for responding posi-

Hafizuddin Ahmed yesterday for-

mally distributed jute bags manufac-

tured by the BJMC, among a group

of selling agencies as a substitute to

BRAC, Bikash Organisation and

Kamal and Bros Limited, received

the jute bags from BJMC Sales

The organisations, including

After hearing both sides, the

Barrister M Amirul Islam

Barrister Shawkat Ali Khan, S S

Halder, Ozayer Farook and more

than 200 lawyers appeared for the

Special Branch of police at the

Immigration Desk at ZIA on his

return from Kolkata on November

Later, he was shown arrested.

the early nineties overlooked vari-

ous cost related issues. It now

needs a fresh and pragmatic IRR.

Whatever we have spent on it may

be much lower a loss than what we

would incur in the future. There is

billion tonnes of high quality coal,

which in terms of thermal value is

equivalent to 60 trillion cubic feet of

Terrorists lists

Bagerhat district tops the list with

364 listed terrorists, some of whom

the fresh list made by the KMP

commissioner is very controversial,

as many terrorists and holders of

in it. The source further said that the

However, a KMP source said that

are hiding in the Sunderbans.

outnumber terrorists in the list.

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district, he said.

prepared by the police.

It is projected that the mine has 2

still time," the source added.

Shahriar Kabir was detained by

court fixed the date to deliver the

Meanwhile. Jute Minister

tively to the government step.

banned polybags.

Shahriar

order on bail petition

FROM PAGE 12

accused.

22 last year.

prosecutor said

The Mumbai flight, headed for

India banned Pakistan's national

The airline asked India for per-

said vesterday.

of anonymity.

to leave yesterday.

of the country.

China only on December 24.

want Sheikh Hasina to retain her

presidency, party insiders hinted. They said an extended meeting of the Awami League Central Working Committee would be convened shortly after Sheikh Hasina returns home from USA, most likely on January 9.

Presidents, secretaries and convenors of the its 72 district level Newsman escapes attempt on life by JCD cadre

in Khulna

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Tariqul Islam, a senior staff correspondent of Dainik Purbanchal, escaped an attempt on his life by an armed cadre of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal at mid night on Monday near Khulna Medical College Hospital under Sonadanga thana.

According to general diary filed with Sonadanga thana, Chhatra Dal cadre Tarig. 28, fired two shots at the journalist which missed the target.

The incident occurred Purbanchal reporter Tariqul Islam, 34, refused to give his motorcycle to Tarig for using it for New Year celebration

bloody December 13 attack on the On the other hand, death threats have also been given to Deep Azad, staff correspondent of Dainik He wound up a four-day trip to

According to GD filed with Khulna hana on Monday afternoon, Jugantar correspondent has received several death threats over hones in his office.

Unidentified persons also threatened bomb attack on his office for carrying stories against vandalism at Skidghat, toll collection and drug trafficking.

President's son

FROM PAGE 1 election campaign in Munshiganj.

Replying to a question, Mahi said he saw an auto-rickshaw parked on the spot and probably it was thrown from the vehicle.

"It might be a planned attack as the attackers might knew the time of regular meet with my father."

The pungent smoke also spread in front of Bangabhaban gate, he

Mahi said a diary would be filed in this connection and police were asked to examine the spot to identify to attend the meeting. After the central council meeting district unit council meetings would follow as soon as possible after formation of village and ward com-

mittees, union committees and

Upazila committees at the grassroots level, said the party secretary. After its last biannual council meeting held in 1998, a special council of the AL had extended the tenure of the existing central com-

mittee for two years in June 2000 while the party was still in power. It is expected, a senior leader said, that the AL chief would direct district level leaders to intensify its membership collection drive and prepare for a greater movement against the present government

after the central council meeting. An organisational countrywide tour might also take place, anticipated the leader who preferred not to be named

Ministers FROM PAGE 12

Most activists came to lobby for their

friends, relatives or people of their locality involving various matters including transfers, postings, recommendations for jobs, admission in schools and projects.

They said a good number of lobbvists won recommendations admission to good schools in the

Many requested ministers to make phone calls to persons concerned to ensure results. In some cases, ministers rejected their requests because those were way out of line, and advised them to meet with proper ministers instead.

A senior minister, on condition of anonymity said most BNP leaders and activists were lobbying in favour of Awami League men in exchange for money. A large number of party leaders

and activists from different parts of the country converged at the party central office and waited in long queues to meet ministers. Similar situation had also been witnessed in the last few days at the

Bangladesh Secretariat where lobbying by party activists, sources said, would be discontinued now that party offices have been designated for that purpose. Party leaders expect that the

new step would definitely cut the crowd at Bangladesh Secretariat enabling ministers to discharge their responsibilities smoothly.

We hope the massive rush of party workers at the Secretariat coming from all over the country will reduce substantially. We will not entertain activists at the Secretariat anymore," said a senior minister.

Police crackdown

yesterday.
Commuters coming to the city

from the outskirts also suffered a lot due to scarcity of vehicles, sources said. Many of them could not come for work yesterday, they added. Meanwhile a large number of

owners and drivers of the seized vehicles and leaders of bus and truck owners associations were seen crowding the DC Traffic's office, trying to release their vehi-The Bangladesh Road Transport

Authority (BRTA) last month banned plying of old vehicles in the city to reduce traffic jam and air pollution. It also warned of stern action against violators. Since the issuance of the ban

order, different bus and truck owners associations have been demanding withdrawal of the decision, terming it "illogical and unlawful". But the government remained firm on its decision. Meanwhile, the Staff Pariban

Association (SPS), under which some 500 buses ply in the city to carry government officials and employees, has threatened to go for an indefinite strike if the decision is not withdrawn. "If the decision is not withdrawn,

80 per cent of the staff buses will go off the roads causing a serious problem," said its president. The Bangladesh Truck Owners'

Association also warned of action if

the decision is not withdrawn. It will sit for a meeting today to take a decision, sources in the association

Journalists

FROM PAGE 12 others, accompanied the delega-

Referring to the upcoming visit of a high-powered delegation led by Chinese prime minister tó Bangladesh this month, the Chinese ambassador said that Bangladesh would be the first country to be visited by the Chinese

prime minister in the new year. The ambassador hoped that The Daily Star would work towards uplifting economic condition in Bangladesh and strengthening the friendly relation between the two

countries as well. Following a proposal by Syed Fahim Munaim, Chui Yun Axi expressed his interest in cooperation between the two newspapers.

People's Daily to Bangladesh followed an invitation by BCPFA. The delegation arrived in the city on Sunday last and is scheduled to leave tomorrow (Thursday).

Launched in 1948, Daily is one of China's leading newspapers with a total of 2,200 in the country. People's Daily publishes 22 affiliated newspapers and magazines as well.

games. Faisal Iqbal, Mohammad

Sami and leg-spinner Danish

Kanaria will be arriving in Dhaka

specifically for the Tests and leave

for Pakistan after the second match

Shahid Afridi, Azhar Mehmud

Young left-hand batsman Imran

Pakistan will fly in the capital at

and Shoaib Malik will replace the

Farhat has been included in the tour

party after star opener Sayeed

Anwar pulled out due to injury.

trio for the one-day series.

Pak cricketers

appearance in a triangular tourna-

illegal arms have not been included names of political persons also The list of 232 terrorists for Chuadanga includes names of 86 January 16. They will also play the leaders and activists of different first one-dayer at the port city on political parties, including 47 lead-January 22

The visitors will return to Dhaka to play the next two one-day internationals at the Bangabandhu National Stadium under floodlights on January 24 and 25.

Pakistan will field two different teams for Test and limited-overs

in Chittagong

ment in Shariah in October and November. They had to wait for an international engagement after New Zealand called off their Pakistan tour due to security reasons arising out of Americaled attack on Afghanistan in

Pakistan will start the 27-day

November.

little time to lick their wounds from their disastrous campaign in New The national team flew back

home last night after two crushing defeats in Hamilton and Wellington.

tour with a three-day match against

Sources said intelligence branches of other departments of the government differ with the list

While Pakistan will be hungry to

go into the field, Bangladesh will get

the Bangladesh A team at the BKSP on January. The first Test will be held at the Bangabandhu National Stadium from January 9-13. The second Test will be played at Chittagong from

ers of BNP, JCD and Jubo Dal of the

around 9.15 am. SQUAD Waqar Younis (captain), Inzamam-Ul Huq (vice captain), Taufeeq Umar, Faisal Iqbal, Yousuf Youhana, Naved Latif, Younis Khan, Rashid Latif. Saglain Mushtag. Danish Kaneria, Wagar Younis

(Captain), Wasim Akram,

Mohammad Sami, Abdur Razzaq,

Shoaib Akhtar, Shadab Kabir, Imran Farhat (in place of Sayeed Anwar). Faisal Igbal, Mohammad Sami and Danish Kaneria will come back after the Test Matches. Shahid Afridi, Azhar Mahmood and Shoaib Malik will join the team for ODI

Matches

DHAKA WEDNESDAY JANUARY 2, 2002 in some vital secretarial posts

organisational committees are likely including the post of general secretary. Senior party leaders however